RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): It is not the same contractor who supplies every year. In one year it may be some firms and in another year it may be some other firms.

Purchase of Stationery Articles.

191. *MR. S. CHATTANATHA KARAYALAR (*Shencotta*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) the value of stationery purchased by them during the year 1109 ;

(*b*) the average value of stationery purchased by them per year for the period of five years ending with 1109 ; and

(*c*) the procedure adopted by them for getting their annual supplies?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*):

(*a*) Rs. 1,15,773.

((*b*) Rs. 1,84,942.

(*c*) Sealed tenders with samples, for the supply of articles of stationery required annually are invited by publishing notices and schedules of requirements in the Travancore Government Gazette and in some of the leading newspapers in India. On receipt of the same, the rates and samples are examined by Government and orders placed with those tenderers who quote the lowest rate for the best quality of articles.

Appointments made in the Rubber Factory.

192 *MR. K. MADHAVAN (*Nominated*) : Will the Government be pleased to lay on the table a caste-war return of appointments made in the Rubber Factory, newly to be opened at Chakkai, up to 13-11-1110 M. E. ?

MR. N. K. PADMANABHA PILLAI (*Director of Industries*) : The caste-war* return of appointments made in the Rubber Factory is laid on the table.

MR. K. MADHAVAN (*Nominated*) : May I know from the Government if the Rubber Expert is under the control of the Director of Industries ?

MR. N. K. PADMANABHA PILLAI (*Director of Industries*) : Yes, Sir.

MR. K. MADHAVAN (*Nominated*) : May I know who makes the appointments in the Rubber Factory ?

MR. N. K. PADMANABHA PILLAI (*Director of Industries*) : There is a rule for making appointments. Certain appointments are made by the officers of the department and the others by Government.

PRESIDENT : Appointments are made on the principles which apply to all other departments.

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* *Vide* Appendix VII.

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